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SUBJECT: BATTERY R&D TEAM VISIT UNDER U.S. JAPAN

ENERGY R&D AGREEMENT

REF: TOKYO 2367

1. CONFIRMING VANDERRY:N/KRATZER TELECON, MARCH 3 VISIT
OF U.S. BATTERY R&D TEAM POSTPONED.

2. POSTPONEMENT DECIDED FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. ERDA REPRESENTATIVE UNABLE ACCOMPANY TEAM AT THIS
TIME DUE TO HEAVY PROGRAM COMMITMENTS IN WASHINGTON.
THUS, NO U.S. GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE WOULD HAVE
ACCOMPANIED EXPERT GROUP.

B. UNCERTAINTY WITH RESPECT TO EXTENT THAT JAPANESE R&D
WORK PERFORMED IN INDUSTRY WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR DIS-
CUSSION, INFORMATION EXCHANGE, AND AS A PART OF FUTURE
COOPERATIVE R&D EFFORTS. SINCE JAPANESE INDUSTRIAL WORK
SIGNIFICANT PART OF TOTAL BATTERY R&D PROGRAM ITS
OMISSION FROM ANY EXCHANGE WOULD NEED BE CAREFULLY
ASSESSED BY U.S.

3. WE ARE FURTHER ASSESSING SITUATION IN CONSULTATION
WITH U.S. EXPERT TEAM AND WILL ADVISE EMBASSY SHORTLY
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ON OUR SUGGESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO RESCHEDULING VISIT. KISSINGER

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